

Proposed Bill No. 5809

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LCO No. 850

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: REP. ROY, 119th Dist.

AN ACT RENAMING THE STATE'S SHELLFISH RESEARCH VESSEL THE "JOHN H. VOLK".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require the Department of
- 2 Agriculture's dedicated vessel, used for the research and survey of
- 3 shellfish populations in Long Island Sound and docked at the Bureau
- 4 of Aquaculture office in Milford, be named the "John H. Volk" for a
- 5 period of no less than twenty years and that if the current vessel,
- 6 "Yankee Oyster", is removed from state service, the next most
- 7 prominent vessel by size and use docked at the Bureau of Aquaculture
- 8 in Milford be named the "John H. Volk" until such time that a larger
- 9 and more prominent research vessel is acquired for such research and
- 10 survey purposes.

Statement of Purpose:

To rename the state's shellfish research vessel after the late John H. Volk in recognition of his long and meritorious service to the state and its shellfish industry.